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Now accepting nominations for Featherstone Reid Award

Award honors innovative, high-quality, and cost-effective health care excellence in Washington

OLYMPIA – The Washington State Board of Health is accepting nominations for the Warren Featherstone Reid Award from May 1, 2015 to June 24, 2015. This prestigious award recognizes health care providers and facilities throughout Washington who exhibit exceptional quality and value in the delivery of health services.

[The Board of Health](#) encourages the nomination of outstanding health care providers and facilities that are committed to improving management practices, ensuring high-quality, increasing value, expanding access, and maximizing customer satisfaction while increasing innovation in health care for patients and families across the state.

Download the nomination form on the [Featherstone Reid Award webpage](#), which contains information to review the nomination and award timeline, and see the list of past recipients. When the legislature created the award more than 20 years ago, leaders recognized the importance of ensuring all Washington residents had access to affordable, quality health care. The recipient of the award is chosen annually by the governor in conjunction with the secretary of health.

The legislature honored Warren Featherstone Reid, with the creation of the award in 1994. Reid dedicated his career as a public servant to improving access to quality and affordable health care. By 1993, when he retired as health policy adviser to Gov. Booth Gardner, he was established as a leading expert on health policy at the state and national levels. He served Sen. Warren G. Magnuson for almost 20 years as an aide and then chief of staff, and also was staff to the state legislature. After his retirement, he chaired the Board of Health until 1998.

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